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Dear Harold (cc Dick),

I picked up your latest mailing at home yesterday, and have glanced over the letters. I'll go over them again and answer as I go along.

Nichols sent me a copy of the gov'T's response to his suit, a request for dismissal on the grounds that the court has no juristiction. It's about 50 pages long, with much appended stuff, including several affidavits from Rhoads, etc. If you don't get a copy, tell me and I'll have mine Xeroxed. I really don't know what to make of it. Nichols says "We intend to go forward with this as early as possible."

I've received Paul's article and am enclosing a copy of my comments to him on it. While it is quite interesting, I don't think it really relates to the assassination so far as simulating the situation for drawing valid inferences.

On your suggestion, I won't write Morgan re neck X-rays. It's not major to me right now.

I probably will write A for new base picture tonight. With the purpose of the new request, they can neither refuse or produce anything less than an exact duplication of your first.

On the shirt, I have a brief memo which I have not sent you on your request that I file such things for you and produce them in a group when you want them. My latest idea is that the shirt was washed between the FBI picture and the WC one, based on a comparison of the two, esp. blood stains. Also, on the slits, you indicated the picture in A shows fibers on slit missing. Could these have come off when samples were removed for spectrogrophy?

As for the suits, I watch with great interest. However, I really can't get all the "poop" unless I am right there with you, as in the beginning of the summer when I received a great education as well as a great vacation.

An Am. History bk. in Penn's bookstore contained a quote which interested me. It was dated Oct. 2, 1963 and attributed to a White House source. This was said and reported on that date, not reported after the assass. This source said that if there were a coup in the government, it would be by the CIA and not the Pentagon. If you want the book or the title, I'll get it for you.

Have to go now. Keep in touch and use the new address, for I won't be going home frequently.

Oh yes--great on the coming book. As for your embarrasing situation, let me make it easier on you by offering to buy a copy, which is no burden to me.

Best,

Howard